



DATES

JANUARY

Monday 12th – Y5 Residential to CHET

Sunday 18th – Holy Communion Mass

Tuesday 20th – Reconciliation Church service at 6pm

FEBRUARY

Tuesday 10th – Safer Internet Day

Sunday 15th – Holy Communion Mass

Monday 16th – HALF TERM

Monday 23rd – School reopens at 8:50am

MARCH

Wednesday 4th – Author Sean Perkins visits school

Thursday 5th – World Book Day

Sunday 15th – Holy Communion Mass

Tuesday 17th – Rocksteady Concert at 10am

Thursday 26th – Nursery closes for Easter

Thursday 26th – Easter Assembly for the whole school

Thursday 26th – Easter Rabbit Run (pm)

Friday 27th – School Closes at 1.00pm for Easter

APRIL

Monday 13th – School reopens at 8.50am

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HAPPY NEW YEAR

Welcome back to school and a what a great start we have had to our **SPRING TERM!** I hope everyone had a happy Christmas and enjoyed some rest and recuperation over the holiday period.

As the new Headteacher, I would like to take this opportunity to express my heartfelt thanks to Mr Chapman as he retired at Christmas after twelve and a half years of dedicated service to our school. During his time here, Mr Chapman served countless families with unwavering commitment and care. He led the school through many inspections, always with professionalism, resilience and—most memorably—a smile on his face. His calm leadership and positive outlook were a constant source of reassurance to staff, pupils and parents alike.



Above all, Mr Chapman has shaped this school into the strong, nurturing and loving community it is today. His values, vision and genuine care for everyone who walked through our doors have left a lasting legacy that will continue to guide us in the years ahead. On behalf of the entire school community, I thank him for his service, dedication and the difference he has made to so many lives. We wish him a long, happy and well-deserved retirement from education.

CELEBRATION OF THE WORD

In this week's assembly, we came together as a school community to celebrate new starts and the promises they bring. New beginnings remind us that God is always with us, offering us fresh opportunities to grow, to learn and to become the people He calls us to be.

We reflected on how promises are an important part of our faith—promises we make to God and to one another to live with kindness, honesty and love. Just as Jesus teaches us to forgive and begin again, we are reminded that every day is a chance to try our best, to make good choices and to support one another.

As we move forward together, we ask God to guide our steps, bless our new beginnings and help us keep the promises we make, so that our school continues to be a place of faith, hope and love for all.



CHRISTMAS FAYRE

We would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to all our parents, carers and families for the incredible support shown for our recent school fayre. We were truly thrilled by the generosity shown during the three own-clothes days, which brought in the most donations we have ever received—an amazing reflection of our wonderful community.

The fayre itself was a magical whirlwind, filled with joy, laughter and a fantastic atmosphere that truly felt like the days gone by. It was a pleasure to see our school grounds so alive with happiness and togetherness.

A huge **THANK YOU** to all the helpers and volunteers who gave their time to support the event. We simply could not have done it without you and we are so grateful for your generosity and commitment to the children of St George's.

Thanks to everyone's support—both on the day and through the raffles—we raised an unbelievable **£1,500**. This is an amazing amount, and we are so very grateful to you all. The funds raised will make a real difference to what we can provide for our children and will help us continue to enhance and enrich the provision we offer at St George's.

YEAR 4 RECONCILIATION

Our children in Year 4 will be soon making their reconciliation.
It takes place on Tuesday 20th January. Please keep these children
in your prayers as they prepare for this special sacrament.



NEW YEAR- FRESH START

Regular attendance and good punctuality are vital for your child's learning, wellbeing and success. When children are in school every day and on time, they benefit from consistent teaching and learning, build strong friendships, develop confidence and are better able to reach their full potential. Missing school—even just a few days—can quickly add up to significant gaps in learning and can make it harder for pupils to keep up with their peers. Recent government guidance emphasises the importance of regular attendance and makes clear that schools and parents have a shared responsibility to support children in being present and punctual, with clear expectations and support to address any barriers to attendance. Thank you for your ongoing support in making sure your child is in school, on time, every day that they are well enough to attend.

ATTENDANCE

Attendance in our first week back. **The school target is 96.5% - as represented by the black line.**

